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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Announcement of the Selection of the Commanding General, California State Military Reserve

1. I am pleased to announce the selection of Col (CA) Emory "Jack" Hagan as the next Commanding General of the California State Military Reserve. Colonel (CA) Hagan brings with him a wealth of experience. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from The Citadel in 1971 and was commissioned a regular officer in the U.S. Marine Corps upon graduation. During his 28-year career in the Marine Corps, Col (CA) Hagan served as a rifle platoon Commander in Viet Nam and then a series of ever increasing command and staff responsibilities including service in the North Arabian Sea during the Iranian hostage crisis and later in Kuwait and Somalia. Upon his retirement, Col (CA) Hagan became a Special Agent in the California Bureau of Investigation. He then joined the State Military Reserve as the Senior Project Officer for the Naval Militia Project and the Military Department where he serves as Chief, Training and Exercises with the Office of Homeland Security. Colonel (CA) Hagan holds a Masters of Arts in Psychology from Pepperdine University and is a graduate of the Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare School and Marine Corps Command and Staff College.

2. I wish to express my sincere gratitude to Brigadier General (CA) Thomas A. Swidler upon his retirement after over 18 years of volunteer service to the State of California, the California Military Department and the State Military Reserve. His retirement is effective 5 November 2005. I want to take this opportunity to thank Brigadier General (CA) Swidler for his outstanding leadership of the California State Military Reserve since assuming command in August 2004. Brigadier General (CA) Swidler had assignments as the Deputy Commander and as Chief of Staff culminating with his current assignment as Commanding General for the California State Military Reserve.

3. The Retirement and Change of Command Ceremony will take place on 5 November 2005 at the Joint Force Headquarters - California, Sacramento, CA. Details will be announced separately.


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